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THE HON. SRI K. P. KUTTIKRISHNAN NAIR :—" The Government are considering that question."

Allotment of staff from the Harijan Welfare Department to Andhra State.

* 321 Q.—SRI A. RATNAM : Will the Hon. the Minister for Animal Husbandry be pleased to state how many persons from the Harijan Welfare Department were transferred to Andhra State under each of the following heads, viz., Director, Deputy Directors, Office Assistants, Supervisors, Upper Division Clerks, Lower Division Clerks, Typists, Special Inspectors, Overseers, Attenders, Watchmen, etc.?

THE HON. SRI V. C. PALANISWAMI GOUNDER :—" The number of persons ' allotted ' to the Andhra State is—

One Personal Assistant,

Three Office Assistants,

One Head Clerk (Agency Section),

Five Lower Division Clerks, and

One Typist.

" In respect of the other categories, no one was ' allotted '.

" The number of ' transferred Officers ' to the Andhra State is ' Nil '."

Purchase of coal for the Power House at Basin Bridge.

* 322 Q.—SRI A. RATNAM : Will the Hon. the Minister for Public Works be pleased to state—

(a) how many tons of coal are purchased annually for the consumption of the Power House at Basin Bridge, Madras;

(b) whether the coal available at Neyveli, South Arcot district, has been tried in the Power House at Basin Bridge; and

(c) what is the cost of coal per ton purchased for the Power House last year?

THE HON. RAJA SRI SHANMUGA RAJESWARA SETHUPATHI :—" (a) About 120,000 tons on the average.

" (b) Large scale mining of lignite in Neiveli is yet to be started. But, as an experimental measure, some samples of lignite from Neiveli were tried in the Power Station in 1952, with encouraging results.

" (c) Rs. 34 to Rs. 36–6–3 per ton including freight charges."

Electricity Extension Scheme for the Gingee taluk.

* 323 Q.—SRI K. ARANGANATHAN : Will the Hon. the Minister for Public Works be pleased to state the programme of the Government for extending and supplying electric energy as